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Dear Sir:

Supplemental to the Amendment and Response mailed April 15, 2002, submitted herewith is the Affidavit of Kailash C. Vasudeva, Vice President of Maxtech, Inc. Maxtech, Inc. is the owner of this application and of U.S. Patent 5,893,457 cited against this application. The Affidavit of Kailash C. Vasudeva establishes that the inventor in this application was under an obligation to assign his invention to Maxtech, Inc. at the time the invention was made. The formal assignment was later made and recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

This Affidavit supports applicant's position that U.S. Patent 5,893,457 should be withdrawn as a reference in this application.

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as Express mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

Cynthia Kane 5/23/02
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Applicant's attorney invites the Examiner's telephone call if any issues of patentability remain.

Respectfully submitted,

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